

Postal : A plot of land has already been acquired by the Department of posts separately for construction of Staff quarters.

(c) *Telecom*: Not applicable.

Postal : The delay in construction of quarters is due to a dispute about the acquired land and is subjudice.

Setting up of TV Relay Centres in Tamil Nadu

1675. DR. (SMT.) K.S. SOUNDARAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION and BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places where T.V. Relay Stations are likely to be set up in Tamil Nadu during 1991-92;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up a T.V. relay station at Erode or Tiruchengodu in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) if so, by when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRJAVYAS):

(a) While no TV transmitter is envisaged to be set up in Tamil Nadu during the remaining period of the current financial year (1991-92), a low power TV transmitter at Nagapattinam is planned to be set up and is expected to be commissioned during 1992-93. It is also envisaged to set up 4 more transmitters,

one each at Arcot, Majuram, Rajapalayam and Kumbakonam in the State subject to actual availability of resources and inter-se priority.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

New producers given Chance by Doordarshan for Serials

1676. SHRIRAJNATHSONKARSHASTRI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether only those producers are given priority in the field of producing serials and small feature films who have been working in this field since a long time;

(b) the number of new producers who have applied to Doordarshan for making serials or small feature films; and

(c) the number of applications rejected and the details of those whose applications have been accepted?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRJAVYAS):

(a) No, Sir,

(b) Doordarshan does not maintain such a list of Producers.

(c) During the financial year 1991-92, 51 proposals were rejected and 26 were accepted for tele-films and tele-series. The details of proposals accepted during the year is attached as a statement.